



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Approve Extension of Laidlaw Transit Services, Inc. Contract

MEETING DATE: February 3, 1999

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt the attached resolution approving an amendment to the contract with Laidlaw Transit Services, Inc., and authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment and extend the contract through June 2000.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: When the City of Lodi went out to bid for transit service in 1996, DAVE Transportation Services was the low bidder. Since then, Laidlaw Transit Services, Inc. has purchased DAVE. As per Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requirements, contract extension prices must be specified in the original contract, and must not exceed five years.

The proposed contract amendment with Laidlaw will satisfy the FTA requirements by setting the price for the extensions. The cost structure is:

	Vehicle Service Hour	% Increase	Fixed Cost per Month	% Increase
1996/97	\$14.52	---	\$24,800.00	---
1997/98	\$14.64	1%	\$21,648.00	-13%
1998/99 (current)	\$15.23	4%	\$24,340.00	11%
1999/00 (proposed)	\$16.58	8%	\$25,310.00	4%
2000/01 (proposed)	\$17.24	4%	\$26,330.00	4%

The 1996/97 fixed-cost-per-month amount was higher than in 1997/98 because of initial start-up costs. The 1998/99 increase reflects the hiring of a reservation agent. The 8% increase in 1999/00 includes an hourly wage adjustment of \$1.00 to drivers and dispatchers in an effort to reduce turnover. The proposed increased cost for future years is reasonable, and approving an extension will save valuable staff time and maintain consistency and continuity in the service we provide. The contract provides for one-year extensions, and, given continued good performance, staff recommends the extension to June 2000.

FUNDING: FTA (50%)
TDA (50%)

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Public Works Director

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Attachment

cc: City Attorney
Transportation Manager
Laidlaw Transit Services, Inc.

APPROVED: _____

H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 99-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL APPROVING AN
AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT WITH LAIDLAW TRANSIT
SERVICES, INC., AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO
EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT EXTENDING THE CONTRACT
THROUGH JUNE 2000 ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF LODI

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WHEREAS, in 1996 the City of Lodi entered into an agreement with Dave Transportation Services for transit services; and

WHEREAS, since that time Laidlaw Transit Service has purchased Dave Transportation; and

WHEREAS, as per Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requirements, contract extension prices must be specified in the original contract, and must not exceed five years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby approve the Amendment to the Contract with Laidlaw Transit Services, Inc., for Transit Services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the City of Lodi.

Dated: February 3, 1999

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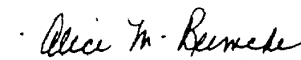
I hereby certify that Resolution No. 99-13 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held February 3, 1999 by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock, Mann, Nakanishi, Pennino
and Land (Mayor)

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


ALICE M. REIMCHE
City Clerk